
**NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, EXTENSION,
AND TEACHING POLICY ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1985**

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TITLE XIV OF THE FOOD SECURITY ACT OF 1985

(Public Law 99–198; 99 Stat. 1354)

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TITLE XIV—NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH,
EXTENSION, AND TEACHING

Subtitle A—General Provisions

SHORT TITLE

SEC. 1401. [7 U.S.C. 3101 note] This title may be cited as the “National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act Amendments of 1985”.

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[Section 1416 repealed by section 606(g) of Public Law 105-185, 112 Stat. 604.]

AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE WITH IRELAND

SEC. 1420. (a) The Secretary of Agriculture shall undertake discussions with representatives of the Government of Ireland that may lead to an agreement that will provide for the development of a program between the United States and Ireland whereby there will be—

(1) a greater exchange of—

(A) agricultural scientific and educational information, techniques, and data;

(B) agricultural marketing information, techniques, and data; and

(C) agricultural producer, student, teacher, agribusiness (private and cooperative) personnel; and

(2) the fostering of joint investment ventures, cooperative research, and the expansion of United States trade with Ireland.

(b) The Secretary shall periodically report to the Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate to keep such Committees apprised of the progress and accomplishments, and such other information as the Secretary considers appropriate, with regard to the development of such program.

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AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROPRIATIONS FOR FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL
RESEARCH FACILITIES

SEC. 1431. There are authorized to be appropriated for each of the fiscal years 1991 through 2002, such sums as may be necessary for the planning, construction, acquisition, alternation, and repair of buildings and other public improvements, including the cost of acquiring or obtaining rights to use land, of or used by the Agricultural Research Service, except that—

(1) the cost of planning any one facility shall not exceed \$500,000; and

(2) the total cost of any one facility shall not exceed \$5,000,000.

(99 Stat. 1566)

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MARKET EXPANSION RESEARCH

SEC. 1436. [7 U.S.C. 1632] (a) The Secretary of Agriculture, using available funds, shall increase and intensify research programs conducted by or for the Department of Agriculture that are directed at developing technology to overcome barriers to expanded sales of United States agricultural commodities and the products thereof in domestic and foreign markets, including research programs for the development of procedures to meet plant quarantine requirements and improvement in the transportation and handling of perishable agricultural commodities.

(b)(1) The Secretary of Agriculture shall conduct a research and development program to formulate new uses for farm and forest products. Such program shall include, but not be limited to, research and development of industrial, new, and value-added products.

(2) To the extent practicable, the Secretary of Agriculture shall carry out the program authorized in this subsection with colleges and universities, private industry, and Federal and State entities through a combination of grants, cooperative agreements, contracts, and interagency agreements.

(3)(A) There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out the program authorized under this subsection.

(B) In addition, the Secretary may use funds appropriated or made available to the Secretary under provisions of law other than subparagraph (A) to carry out such program.

(C) To the extent requests are made for matching funds under such program, the total amount of funds used by the Secretary to carry out the program under this subsection may not be less than \$10,000,000 for each of the fiscal year ending September 30, 1986, through September 30, 1990.

(4) Funds appropriated under subparagraph (A) or made available under subparagraph (B) may be transferred among appropriation accounts to carry out the purposes of the program authorized under this subsection.

(5) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Federal share of the cost of each research or development project funded under this subsection may not exceed 50 percent of the cost of such project.

PESTICIDE RESISTANCE STUDY

SEC. 1437. (a) The Secretary of Agriculture is encouraged to conduct a study on the detection and management of pesticide resistance and, within 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, submit to the President and Congress a report on such study.

(b) The study shall include—

(1) a review of existing efforts to examine and identify the mechanisms, genetics, and ecological dynamics of target populations of insect and plant pests developing resistance to pesticides;

(2) a review of existing efforts to monitor current and historical patterns of pesticide resistance; and

(3) a strategy for the establishment of a national pesticide resistance monitoring program, involving Federal, State, and local agencies, as well as the private sector.

EXPANSION OF EDUCATION STUDY

SEC. 1438. (a) The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Education are authorized to take such joint action as may be necessary to expand the scope of the study, known as the Study of Agriculture Education on the Secretary Level, currently being conducted by the National Academy of Sciences and sponsored jointly by the Departments of Agriculture and Education to include—

(1) a study of the potential use of modern technology in the teaching of agriculture programs at the secondary school level; and

(2) recommendations of the National Academy of Sciences on how modern technology can be most effectively utilized in the teaching of agricultural programs at the secondary school level.

(b) Any increase in the cost of conducting study as a result of expanding the scope of such study pursuant to subsection (a) shall be borne by the Secretary of Agriculture out of funds appropriated to the Department of Agriculture for research and education or from funds made available to the National Academy of Sciences from private sources to expand the scope of such study.

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Subtitle B—Human Nutrition Research

FINDINGS

SEC. 1451. [7 U.S.C. 3173] Congress finds that—

(1) nutrition and health considerations are important to United States agricultural policy;

(2) section 1405 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3121) designates the Department of Agriculture as the lead agency of the Federal Government for human nutrition research (except with respect to the biomedical aspects of human nutrition concerned with diagnosis or treatment of disease);

(3) section 1423 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 3173) requires the Secretary of Agriculture to establish research into food and human nutrition as a separate and distinct mission of the Department of Agriculture;

(4) the Secretary has established a nutrition education program; and

(5) nutrition research continues to be of great importance to those involved in agricultural production.

【Section 1452 was repealed by section 872 of P.L. 104-127, 110 Stat. 1175.】

DIETARY ASSESSMENT AND STUDIES

SEC. 1453. 【7 U.S.C. 3173 note】 (a) The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall jointly conduct an assessment of existing scientific literature and research relating to —

(1) the relationship between dietary cholesterol and blood cholesterol and human health and nutrition; and

(2) dietary calcium and its importance in human health and nutrition.

In conducting the assessments under this subsection, the Secretaries shall consult with agencies of the Federal Government involved in related research. On completion of such assessments, the Secretaries shall each recommend such further studies as the Secretaries consider useful.

(b) Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall each submit to the House Committees on Agriculture and Energy and Commerce and the Senate Committees on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and Labor and Human Resources a report that shall include the results of the assessments conducted under subsection (a) and recommendations made under such subsection, for more complete studies of the issues examined under such subsection, including a protocol, feasibility assessment, budget estimates and a timetable for such research as each Secretary shall consider appropriate.